

**TENNESSEE GENERAL ASSEMBLY
FISCAL REVIEW COMMITTEE**



FISCAL NOTE

SB 3541 - HB 3918

February 11, 2010

SUMMARY OF BILL: Establishes a pilot project for the provision of laptop computers to all seventh-graders. This project shall take place in one local education agency (LEA) that has been in collaboration with a non-profit agency for such a program on a smaller scale for at least two years. Requires the pilot project to be phased in over five years and to be conducted for at least five years. Laptops may be used through the 12th grade.

ESTIMATED FISCAL IMPACT:

**Increase State Expenditures - \$804,000/FY10-11
\$1,608,000/FY11-12
\$2,448,000/FY12-13
\$3,408,000/FY13-14
\$4,440,000/FY14-15**

Assumptions:

- The pilot program will take place in Rutherford County Schools.
- Laptops purchased under the state-wide contract cost approximately \$1,200.
- The pilot program will be phased in over five fiscal years beginning in FY10-11.
- In FY10-11, the estimated projected average daily membership (ADM) for entering seventh-graders in Rutherford County is 3,350. One-fifth of those (670) will receive laptops. The estimated increase in state expenditures in FY10-11 is 804,000 (670 x \$1,200).
- In FY11-12, the estimated ADM for entering seventh-graders in Rutherford County is 3,350. Two-fifths of those (1,340) will receive laptops. The estimated increase in state expenditures in FY11-11 is \$1,608,000 (1,340 x \$1,200).
- In FY12-13, the estimated ADM for entering seventh-graders in Rutherford County is 3,400. Three-fifths of those (2,040) will receive laptops. The estimated increase in state expenditures in FY12-13 is \$2,448,000 (2,040 x \$1,200).
- In FY13-14, the estimated ADM for entering seventh-graders in Rutherford County is 3,550. Four-fifths of those (2,840) will receive computers. The estimated increase in state expenditures in FY13-14 is \$3,408,000 (2,840 x \$1,200).

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- In FY14-15, the estimated ADM for entering seventh-graders in Rutherford County is 3,700. All students will receive laptops. The estimated increase in state expenditures in FY14-15 is \$4,440,000 (3,700 x \$1,200).

CERTIFICATION:

The information contained herein is true and correct to the best of my knowledge.

A handwritten signature in black ink, reading "James W. White". The signature is fluid and cursive, with the first name "James" written in a larger, more prominent script than the last name "White".

James W. White, Executive Director

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